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## Based on PTO-1390 (Rev. 05-2006) Approved for use through 3/31/2007. U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER P03096US2A-(BJ001d) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO! (If known, see 3 WC.F.R) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/US2005/038017 20 October 2005 26 October 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION FUNCTIONALIZED POLYMER WITH LINKING GROUP APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US YUAN-YONG YAN & DAVID F. LAWSON Applicants herewith submit to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. § 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. § 371. 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. Xi A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)) is included herewith (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)) a. is included herewith. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)) are included herewith (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. 🗇 have not been made and will not be made. 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)). 9. 🛛 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)). 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. 🔲 An Information Disclosure Statement (see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98). 12. 🔲 An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

13. A preliminary amendment.

14. An Application Data Sheet (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.76).

15. A substitute specification.

16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.

17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 - 1.825.

18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4).

19. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4).

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Other items or information: return receipt postcard, PTO-2038 (authorization to charge \$900.00)

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| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 50%.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |      |
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